

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 MOSCOW 10350 251025Z

10

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 EA-06 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07

L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06

OMB-01 SAJ-01 SAM-01 ACDA-05 /072 W

----- 065467

R 241522Z JUL 75

FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2549

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

CINCPAC

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

AMEMBASSY RANGOON

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

USLO PEKING

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MOSCOW 10350

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, CH, UR

SUBJECT: MOSCOW DENOUNCES PEKING OVER SOUTHEAST ASIA

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

1. SUMMARY. IN A COMMENTARY ON JULY 24, PRAVDA DENOUNCES RECENT ALLEGATION BY PEKING THAT MOSCOW IS "TEARING INTO" SOUTHEAST ASIA AND SEEKING TO ESTABLISH MILITARY BASES. THE REAL THREAT TO THAT REGION, SAYS PRAVDA, COMES FROM PEKING, WHICH SUPPORTS SUBVERSION AND TERROR ON THE ONE HAND AND ALL FAILS TO OPPOSE "IMPERIALISM" ON THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MOSCOW 10350 251025Z

OTHER. END SUMMARY.

2. PRAVDA'S COMMENTARY, CALLED "TRAITOROUS POSITION," IS BY ALEKSANDR FILIPPOV WHO OFTEN WRITES ON CHINA AND OTHER ASIAN TOPICS. FILIPPOV BEGINS BY CLAIMING THAT PRC OFFICIALS AND NEWSPAPERS HAVE CHARGED THAT THE USSR IS "TEARING INTO" SOUTHEAST ASIA, SEEKING BOTH BASES THERE AND TO ENSLAVE THE PEOPLES OF THE REGION. THE FACT OF THE MATTER, HE SAYS, IS THAT IT IS THE "MAOISTS" WHO ARE ACTIVE IN THIS REGARD IN THE REGION, AND PEKING SEEKS TO DIVERT ATTENTION FROM THEIR ACTIVITIES. BESIDES PRINTING MAPS WHICH CLEARLY CLAIM THE TERRITORY OF BURMA, THAILAND, LAOS, MALAYSIA AND OTHER INDEPENDENT COUNTRIRS, PEKING ORGANIZES POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS, DISTURBANCES AND REBELLION CALLING THESE THINGS "REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES OF THE MASSES." WHILE PROMISING NON-INTERFERENCE, IT SENDS AGENTS AND ARMS TO SUPPORT MAOISTS AND OTHER REBELS MILITARILY AND ECONOMICALLY, SAYS PRAVDA, AND DOES NOT OPPOSE "IMPERIALISM'S" EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN ITS POSITION (E.G., THE CHINESE DO NOT OPPOSE, PRAVDA CONTINUES, THE EXPANSION OF THE PENTAGON'S BASE ON DIEGO GARCIA). PEKING'S POLICY IS THE REAL THREAT TO PEACE AND INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTHEAST ASIA, PRAVDA CONCLUDES.

3. COMMENT: THE MAIN THESE OF THE COMMENTARY ARE TYPICAL OF SOVIET PROPAGANDA, BUT BY KEYING THEM TO PEKING'S ALLEGATIONS ABOUT SOVIET ACTIVITIES, PRAVDA MAKES THEM MORE POINED. THIS COMMENTARY CONTINUES MOSCOW'S MARKED INCREASE IN THE ASSIGNMENT OF RESOURCES AND IN PUBLIC ATTENTION TO SOUTHEAST ASIA SINCE THE FALL OF INDOCHINA. THE SOVIETS AND CHINESE ARE SOME DISTANCE FROM DIRECT PHYSICAL CONFRONTATION OVER THAT REGION BUT THEY ARE CLEARLY WATCHING EACH OTHER CLOSELY, LIKE THE COBRA AND THE MONGOOSE, AS EACH SEEKS TO PREVENT THE OTHER FROM MAKING SIGNIFICANT GAINS.

STOESSEL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, MILITARY BASES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 24 JUL 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975MOSCOW10350
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750257-0280
From: MOSCOW
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750726/aaaaawty.tel
Line Count: 96
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 21 MAY 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <21 MAY 2003 by ShawDG>; APPROVED <22 MAY 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MOSCOW DENOUNCES PEKING OVER SOUTHEAST ASIA CINCPAC FOR POLAD
TAGS: PFOR, CH, UR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006